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Attorney Docket No. 732.742

First Inventor or Application Identifier Robert A. Luciano, Jr.

Title APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DESPENSING PRIZES

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 - Cross References to Related Applications
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 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
3. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 13]
4. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 4]
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)
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8. 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney
9. English Translation Document (if applicable)
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Prior application information: Examiner Aaron J. Capron Group / Art Unit: 3714

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Attorney docket number: 732.742 SDG.CIP2-Dispensing of Awards*

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2. Thirteen (13) sheets of drawings.
3. A Utility Patent Application Transmittal (1 page).
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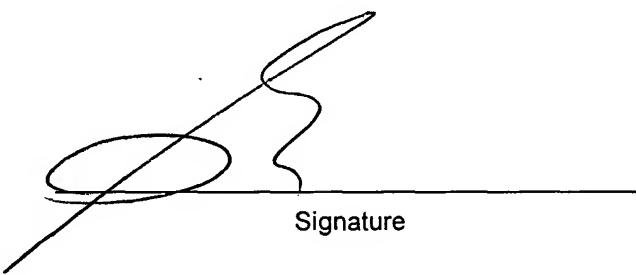
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UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor		Robert A. Luciano, Jr., et al.
Title	Apparatus and Method for Dispensing Prizes	
Atty Docket Number	732.742	

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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